Khan Sahib Y. M. Roshan Sahib Bahadur *(Commissioner of Police)*: Yes.

Mr. P. P. Devassy *(Trichur-South)*: Was there not an Inspector there?

Khan Sahib Y. M. Roshan Sahib Bahadur *(Commissioner of Police)*: There was a Sub-Inspector.

Mr. P. P. Devassy *(Trichur-South)*: Did he conduct any enquiry?

Khan Sahib Y. M. Roshan Sahib Bahadur *(Commissioner of Police)*: Yes.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan *(Vadakkancheri)*: What was the extent of the delay?

Khan Sahib Y. M. Roshan Sahib Bahadur *(Commissioner of Police)*: He went to the spot on the third day of the occurrence.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan *(Vadakkancheri)*: The records will show otherwise.

ARTICLES IN THE SAHODARAN, DATED 16TH SEPTEMBER 1944

196. Mr. C. V. Iyyu *(Kunnamkulam)*: Will Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) whether the Government have noted the following articles in the "Sahodaran", dated 16th September 1944;

(*i*) വഴികൾ തടയാനുള്ള ശ്രമം;

(*ii*) പോലീസ്സ്കമ്മീഷണരുടെ ശ്രദ്ധക്ക്;

(*iii*) അധഃകൃതമർദ്ദനം;

(*b*) whether they will be pleased to inform the action taken if they have made enquiries about the allegations contained in these articles;

(*c*) whether they will be pleased to inform the House the villages in the State where attempts are being made to obstruct roads, lanes and other public thoroughfares used hitherto by all castes and creeds from their using the same in future?

Khan Sahib Y. M. Roshan Sahib Bahadur *(Commissioner of Police)*:

(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) (*i*) and (*ii*) There was no scope for any action.

(*iii*) Contains three allegations.—

1. that a member of the depressed classes was assaulted at Vilvattom;
2. that some Sambavas were insulted by the same persons on the same day and
3. that a Depressed Class man who is a teacher has been prohibited from using the public road and entering the local tobacco shop.

Regarding 1 a case is pending trial, allegation No. 2 was found to be groundless and No. 3 was exaggerated in that there was only an exchange of words between the teacher and the shop-keeper.

(*c*) Government are not aware of any such attempts.

Mr C. V. Iyyu *(Kunnamkulam)*: With regard to No. 3 it is said that there was only an exchange of words between the teacher and shop-keeper. May I know, what sorts of words were used?

Khan Sahib Y. M. Roshan Sahib Bahadur *(Commissioner of Police)*: Some words may be repeated. Some may not be repeated here.

Mr. C. V. Iyyu *(Kunnamkulam)*: Does the Hon'ble Member know, that the words used are obscene words?

Khan Sahib Y. M. Roshan Sahib Bahadur *(Commissioner of Police)*: It may be so.

Mr. K. T. Achyutan *(Ezhuvas-Talappalli)*: Was the teacher obstructed on the public road at Eroor by the Police Constable?

Khan Sahib Y. M. Roshan Sahib Bahadur *(Commissioner of Police)*: There was not exactly an obstruction.

Mr. K. T. Achyutan *(Ezhuvas-Talappalli)*: What was it then?

Khan Sahib Y. M. Roshan Sahib Bahadur *(Commissioner of Police)*: Mere passing through the road was not taken serious objection to. Loitering about the tank when people are bathing is objectionable.

Mr. C. V. Iyyu *(Kunnamkulam)*: Is there no wall for the tank to prevent the public from sight-seeing when people bathe?

Khan Sahib Y. M. Roshan Sahib Bahadur *(Commissioner of Police)*: There is no wall,

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